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Atty. Docket No. 1501-1119
PATENTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Eva GRAHN HAKANSSON et al.

Confirmation No. 4905

Serial No. 09/623,562

GROUP 1651

Filed November 16, 2000

Examiner Irene Marx

AGENT

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of August 9, 2002 and the Notice of Appeal filed January 9, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please make of record the attached Declaration by Mikael G. Bergstrand.

IN THE TITLE:

Change the title throughout, declaration excepted, to:
--A NOVEL BACTERIAL STRAIN AND USES THEREOF.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the claims as follows:

1. (twice amended) A biologically pure strain of *Lactobacillus plantarum* strain LB931, said strain has been assigned accession number DSM11918.

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